

## BLAMES UNMARRIED FOR RACE SUICIDE

A Massachusetts Official's  
Theory.

### GETTING UP STATISTICS

Believes Women Should Have Children  
at Rate of One Every Three  
Years.

BOSTON, Aug. 31.—The race suicide question has been officially taken up in the State of Massachusetts by Charles Felton Pidgin, who is in charge of the State census now in progress. He is going to camp on the trail of the man with the small family, and discover a few things which Mr. Pidgin believes will help the State. Mr. Pidgin has an idea that the fact that the population does not increase is to be blamed more upon men who refuse to wed than upon small families. He proposes to find out all about the question, so that if the legislators of the Bay State desire to take any steps to correct the evils they will have all the information at hand. A list of questions has been drawn up which will have to be answered by every married woman in the State. The inquiry will begin at once. If it is evident, after the returns are all in, that the married folk of the State are doing their duty by the Commonwealth, then it will be up to the lawmakers to devise some scheme whereby the great unmarried division may be lured, or coerced into matrimony and compelled to do their share toward posterity.

#### A New Move.

This move is entirely new. No other State has ever tried to get at the real bottom facts of race suicide in a systematic manner.

"The only way to get satisfactory statistics on the race suicide question is to base them on married women," said Mr. Pidgin, "and in the State census this year we are working to that end. It would be manifestly unfair to speculate on the increase and decrease of births in Massachusetts according to the number of women in the State."

"A feature which we will take up is the determination of the birth period of each married woman. To say that race suicide is on the increase, simply because a family is blessed with children every three years, is an erroneous statement. If it can be shown that the average of all intervening times between births in the family is three years."

"If it be shown, then we have determined the birth period, and thus shown that no racial suicide propaganda is responsible, but that nature herself is doing the work. On every card we have a column for the determination of the number of children borne by her."

Influence of Employment.

"We will also have data on females with regard to their employment, and we will thus be able to show if any particular kinds of work have any effect in the matter of progeny."

Chief Pidgin's theory is that children are born to women about one in three years, on the average, up to the time they cease adding to the population, and he says that if his enumeration shows this he will have proved that there is no such thing as race suicide on the part of married—that it is the unmarried who are to be blamed.

## NORTHEAST SUBURBAN CITIZENS IN SESSION

Enthusiastic Meeting at Which Many  
Measures of Importance Were  
Considered by Members.

An enthusiastic meeting of the Northeast Suburban Citizens' Association was held in Langdon Tuesday night. E. A. M. Lawson, the president, was in the chair. Mr. Lawson stated that after the summer vacation, he was pleased to greet the members under such favorable auspices. He reported that the executive committee had represented the association in connection with other associations on Judge Anderson's order relative to transfers from and to the City and Suburban railway, and the association's pro-rata for expenses had been paid. The president called attention to the creditable manner in which Twentieth street had been macadamized as far as Franklin street and said he thought it would be completed to the Queen's Chapel road in the near future. Among the requests made to the District Commissioners to include in their estimates to Congress provisions for improvements in the northeastern suburban section were: To grade and macadamize Everts street from Twentieth street to Mills avenue, and Rhode Island avenue from Fifteenth street east, to South Dakota avenue.

The Commissioners are also requested to have Douglas street repaired at the crossing at Langdon, it being stated that while the railroad bridge at Twentieth second street is being rebuilt the only outlet to the city by way of the Bladensburg road will be through Douglas street and the Factory road; to have trees planted along Twentieth street from Rhode Island avenue to Queen's Chapel road, and that such trees in the different subdivisions as needed trimming be attended to, and that the names of streets be placed on a number of corner lamps heretofore overlooked.

Chairman Joseph E. Goodkey, of the committee on fire and police, submitted a detailed report on the engine house project, giving the amount of funds on hand and an estimate of the amount still necessary, and recommending that two members from Langdon and one from each of the other subdivisions be appointed to assist the committee in soliciting the funds needed to complete the building.

After discussion by President E. A. M. Lawson, Secretary Y. H. Patterson, Treasurer Wilton Harvey, Messrs. Frank Higdon, J. E. Goodkey, I. J. Baker, Miles Bailey, A. A. Coburn, and others, the report was adopted.

The president appointed additional members of the committee as follows: Frank K. Higdon and Clyde J. Sheriff of Langdon; William R. Love, Fort Saratoga; Charles T. Johnson, Woodridge; W. G. Copley, Elliston Terrace; H. M. Pressley, Avalon Heights.

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## ALEXANDRIA NEWS NOTES

ALEXANDRIA, Va., Aug. 31.—The funeral of the late Charles Jett took place from his home in Duke street this afternoon, at 2:30 o'clock. The Rev. Dr. Fisher, of the First Baptist Church, officiated at the funeral services and the interment was made in Bethel Cemetery.

### FINED FOR ASSAULT.

Clarence Grady, colored, was arrested by Lieutenant Smith yesterday charged with assaulting Nat Phillips, also colored, with a pick handle at the fertilizer works in this city. Nat in the police court this morning presented a battered countenance and Justice Felton fined Grady \$10 for the assault.

### WORK ON BANK.

Work on the new Citizens' National Bank building is nearly completed, and the work of fitting up the interior with bank fixtures will be begun in a few days. The bank will be occupied by October 1.

### LEG CRUSHED.

Lorin Shaver, one of the employees of Reiter, Curtis & Hill, railway contractors, had his leg crushed while at work on the improvements west of this city yesterday. He was brought to this city and taken to the Alexandria Hospital, where he was attended by Drs. O'Brien, Gibson and Snowden.

### FALL BROKE ARM.

While on her way down Duke street yesterday, Mrs. Mary Spiece fell and broke her arm. She was taken to her home in South Fairfax street, where her injuries were dressed by Dr. T. M. Jones.

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### PLAYFUL MERMAIDS AND FLYING DUTCHMEN

CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS on his first voyage of discovery recorded in his journal that he had seen three mermaids. Actually swore to it. Then Henry Hudson came along and got close enough to describe one of these ladies. He saw a good many other wonderful things and made note of them. You haven't any idea of the curious happenings that occur around the sea.

#### HENRY HUDSON'S MERMAID

This morning one of our company looking overboard saw a mermaid \* \* \* closely to the ship's side, looking earnestly at the men. Her back and breasts were like a woman's, her body as big as one of us and her skin very white, and her long hair hanging down behind of a color black.—Hudson.

JOHN R. SPEARS

writes of these romantic, mysterious and weird events in

# The MUNSEY for September

Now we will drop the raging ocean for a few moments and take up the matter of short fiction. There are nine different varieties in the September issue. Each is a gem of its kind. Here you are:

### NINE SHORT STORIES

THE ONLY DASHWOOD.....	Bailey Millard
THE JEALOUSY OF MRS. PETE.....	Margaret Busbee Shipp
THE TOWN THAT LOST ITSELF.....	Hugh Pendexter
CLARISSA'S MISSION.....	Una Hudson
THE JURY'S VERDICT.....	Troy Allison
AN ANCHOR TO WINDWARD.....	William Forster Brown
THE DUNSMUIR WILL MYSTERY.....	Don Mark Lemon
THE WOOING OF M'LISSY.....	Curran Richard Greenley
THE HEROISM OF SILAS.....	Rita Kelley

**AND, BY THE WAY,** while the opportunity is present why not glance down this list of special articles. There are eleven in all—ELEVEN—"Count 'em," as they say in the circus) and they cover pretty nearly every quarter of the globe. However, paradoxically, they are all between two covers, or "under one tent." (More circus talk.) As follows:

### ELEVEN SPECIAL ARTICLES

THE GREAT PEACE CONFERENCE.....	R. H. Titherington
THE GREAT NEED OF THE UNITED STATES NAVY.....	Rear-Admiral French E. Chadwick, U. S. N.
MYSTERIES OF THE SEA.....	John R. Spears
THE RESTORATION OF MOUNT VERNON.....	Abby G. Baker
THE YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION OF TO-DAY.....	Herbert N. Casson
THE CZARS OF RUSSIA.....	Edgar Saltus
II—PETER THE GREAT.	
THE NEW SECRETARY OF THE NAVY.....	Day Allen Willey
THE GREAT ENGLISH RACES.....	R. Parke Buckley
PREDICTING THE WEATHER.....	Willis L. Moore
BOOKS THAT PUBLISHERS REJECTED.....	Harry Thurston Peck
THE GREAT NATIONAL THEATER OF FRANCE.....	Brander Matthews

And, still clinging to circus vernacular,

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MEN'S AND YOUNG  
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